AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- 1-4. (Cancelled)
- 5. (New) An apparatus for determining inherent vehicle velocity, comprising: a pre-crash sensor suite for determining the inherent vehicle velocity, the pre-crash sensor suite being configured in such a way that when a predefined operating state exists, the pre-crash sensor suite determines the inherent vehicle velocity as a function of a signal reflected from the ground.
- 6. (New) The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the pre-crash sensor suite has a radar sensor suite.
- 7. (New) The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the operating state is a locked wheel.
- 8. (New) The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the operating state is a spinning wheel.
- 9. (New) The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the operating state is a suspended wheel.
- 10. (New) The apparatus according to claim 5, further comprising an arrangement for comparing signals reflected from an object with the inherent vehicle velocity in such a way that the object is classified.